Ottawa, March 11th, 1912.

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Sir;-

I beg to enclose herewith a letter dated the 4th instant, received from Edward H. Pashes on behalf the Portage la Prairie Sioux Band of Indians protestir against the conviction of four members of the Band for drinking apple cider.

The Department does not appear to have rece ed a report from you on these cases and you will pleas furnish one as soon as possible and return Pashee's letter.

You should explain to the Indians Su-section L. of Section 2 of the Indian Act which defines what Intoxicants mean.

It is reported that the wives of the India serving time in jail are in destitute circumstances, if such is the case you may grant them the necessary lief.

Your obedient servant,

R. Logen, Esqr.,

Indian Agent,

Portage la Prairie,

Man .

Asst. Deputy & Secretary.

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